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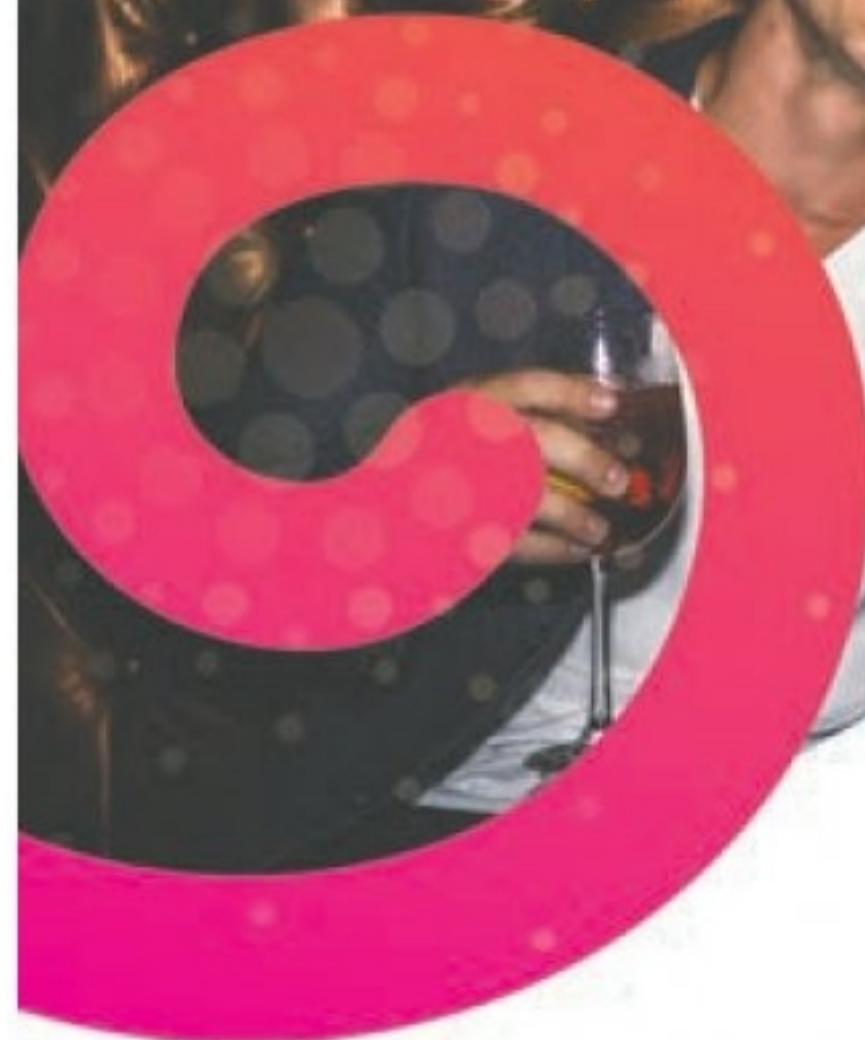
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**OSCAR GIFT BAG LAWSUIT**

2 In a federal lawsuit filed in Los Angeles, the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences accused Distinctive Assets of promoting its gift bags as official Oscars swag. "Distinctive Assets uses the Academy's trademarks to raise the profile of its 'gift bags' and falsely create the impression of association, affiliation, connection, sponsorship and/or endorsement," said the lawsuit, which names the company's founder, Lash Fary, as a defendant.

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STEPHEN KING HONORED

3 Best-selling novelist Stephen King, known for terrifying readers with hair-raising stories including "The Stand" and "It," landed a new distinction when his alma mater, the University of Maine, named an endowed professorship after him. The "Stephen E. King Chair in Literature" will be the first position at the school's English department named after a person. **REUTERS**

**SCHOOL CUTS RALLY**

7 More than 100 people gathered outside Boston City Hall on Wednesday to rally against cuts at Boston public schools. The crowd handed signatures and a petition to Mayor Marty Walsh and marched to the Massachusetts State House to hand the petition and signatures against public school cuts to Gov. Charlie Baker. Similar events took place in more than two dozen cities nationwide.



7 THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW

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INFANT DROWNS IN TUB

4 A 10-month-old girl is dead after an accidental drowning in a South Boston bathtub, Boston.com reported. Police were called to the scene of the accident on Logan Way around 10 p.m. Tuesday night. The child was taken to Boston Medical Center where she was pronounced dead, the Boston Herald reports. **MATT LEE**

**'THE WIRE' GANGSTER**

5 The onetime Baltimore gangster who inspired characters on the critically acclaimed HBO series "The Wire" has died in a federal medical prison in North Carolina, officials said Wednesday. Nathan Barksdale, 54, died Saturday in the Federal Medical Center in Butner, North Carolina, spokesman Greg Norton said. "He had been ill, so it was not unexpected," Norton said, without giving a cause of death. Barksdale had been serving a four-year sentence for drug crimes. **REUTERS**

OCCUPY HARVARD LAW

6 A group of student activists from Harvard Law School called "Reclaim Harvard Law" have brought sleeping bags, suitcases and air mattresses for their indefinite stay in one of the school's buildings as a protest, the Harvard Crimson reported. The group has renamed the law school's Wasserstein Hall "Belinda Hall" after a former slave of prominent law school benefactors. The activists hope their occupation will create a space for minority students whom they claim the university has not accommodated. **MATT LEE**

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Bill Downing NICOLAUS CZARNECKI

Drug charges' green light 'an awful shame': Activist

Activist and storeowner Bill Downing is accused of selling a marijuana-based product in Allston.

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A clerk magistrate has decided to let the case against Bill Downing a marijuana activist facing drug charges, go forward.

ward.

Downing is accused of selling marijuana from a storefront in Allston.

He insists the products he was selling — called cannabidiol, or CBD, oils — were derived from hemp and contain no, or negligible amounts of the active chemical in marijuana, THC.

"It seems an awful shame that Boston police are continuing to waste their and the court's precious resources trying to pin me for selling CBD products, which cannot be used as drugs,' have nothing to do with drug abuse and are legally sold all around the city, the state and across the nation," Downing said in an email to Metro. "It is certainly immoral and, hopefully, illegal for Boston police to use their resources to try to intimidate me so as to stop my cannabis law reform activities. Both their attempted prosecution and their attempted intimidation are doomed to fail."

Police do not comment on ongoing investigations, department spokeswoman Rachel McGuire said.

An undercover police officer bought oils from Downing's shop CBD Please in 2014, which tested positive for trace amounts of THC, Downing's lawyer has said. Police later acted on warrants and searched his store and home, seizing products and cash. Downing has said police conducted the search and seizure in SWAT gear.

Downing has received summonses for seven counts of distribution of a Class C substance and one count for distribution of a Class D substance, said John Swomley, Downing's lawyer. He is not facing charges for other hemp-derived products he sold, including creams and shampoo.

In an interview, Swomley reiterated claims that Downing's customers did not use his products to get high.

"You cannot get high with anything they charged him with. You can't. It's just not possible," he said.

Downing is due in court March 3, and Swomley said he expects Downing to plead not guilty.

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Student: Harvard 'refused to act' in sex abuse case

2015 graduate Alyssa Leader filed a Title IX lawsuit against the school this week.

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Harvard failed to protect a student who claimed she was sexually assaulted and violated federal law, the woman and her legal team said on Wednesday.

Alyssa Leader, a 22-year-old from Harvard College's graduating class of 2015, spoke to media in Cambridge on Wednesday, announcing a lawsuit filed Tuesday against the university under Title IX, a federal anti-discrimination law.

Leader, originally from Louisiana, said a boyfriend abused her during a year-long relationship in 2013 and 2014, becoming enraged when she declined to have sex with him.

When she brought complaints to Harvard administrators, she said, the man retaliated by harassing her, and the school did too little to assist her.

"I reported that I was living in constant fear. I asked for help. They refused to act," Leader said.

The school dismissed accusations against her alleged assailant in July of 2015, according to the

complaint filed this week. Leader did not seek criminal charges against the man, and her lawyers said the statute of limitations for a criminal case has passed.

But Leader's complaint has to do with the school's response to her

"I hope that if I make my voice heard, my nightmare doesn't have to become one more Harvard student's reality."

Leader

allegations.

Leader said she was forced to stay in the same residence hall as the ex-boyfriend, having to en-

Alyssa Leader NICOLAUS CZARNECKI

counter him frequently in the dorm, Cabot Hall, and at her job at an on-campus cafe, where the man was a manager.

The school should have moved the alleged attacker to another residence and could have helped Leader pursue a no contact order to restrict contact between the two, but didn't, said Leader's lawyer, Irwin Zalkin.

They will seek damages for distress and for

impacts on Leader's life and career.

In a statement yesterday, the university pointed to Title IX policy changes adopted in 2014, and called sexual assault on college campuses "deeply disturbing."

"Harvard responds fairly and purposefully to every allegation of sexual assault among its students, faculty and staff," the statement reads.

Title IX, an anti-discrimination law passed in 1972, applies to schools which, like Harvard, receive federal funding. Violating the

statute can lead to colleges losing that funding. Title IX has been used at a number of academic institutions in recent years in response to sexual assault cases, including several in Massachusetts.

The Department of Education found in late 2014 that Harvard was in violation of the law. Earlier that year, the school created an office to conduct investigations of sexual abuse claims. That office investigated Leader's case, and later found her alleged assailant "not responsible," according to the complaint.

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Officials scour Boston Harbor, Charles River for missing man



Boston Police search the waters of the Charles River near North Station. NICOLAUS CZARNECKI

Investigators yesterday searched the waters of the Charles River and Boston Harbor for a missing 22-year-old Harvard man, Zachary Marr.

Authorities have focused their attention on the waters around Boston's North Station on the Charles River as the Boston police's dive team searched near the

Zakim Bridge, NECN reported.

Police told the media outlet that they received information that led them to search this area.

"There's no information to indicate foul play played a role," Boston police spokesman James Kenneally told the Boston Globe.

"We continue to seek

the public's help in an effort to locate Zach."

Kenneally also told the Globe authorities continue to search areas in the city as well as Boston Harbor.

Marr was last seen Saturday morning at the Bell in Hand tavern near Faneuil Hall, according to NECN.

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Miley don't need no prenup

How good is Miley Cyrus feeling about her rekindled relationship with former — or is it current? — fiance Liam Hemsworth?

So good that she's reportedly ready to walk down the aisle with him without bothering to sign a prenup first, according to Radar Online.

Her family, though, thought that would be a terrible idea and stepped in to get her to slow down. Way to show your anti-Australian bias, Cyrus family.

"Miley does not see what those around her see," a source says. "Miley's family and management team is not going to let her marry Liam without an ironclad prenup in place."

Now, you might be wondering why they'd be worried, since Hemsworth has all that "Hunger Games" cash stashed away, but apparently Cyrus is estimated to be worth nearly \$200 million. OK, I can see why they might be worried.



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Ryan Reynolds is a dad who brags

Looking for updates on that adorable daughter Ryan Reynolds and Blake Lively brought into the world a little over a year ago? Ellen DeGeneres has got your back. She grilled Reynolds for updates on sweet baby James.

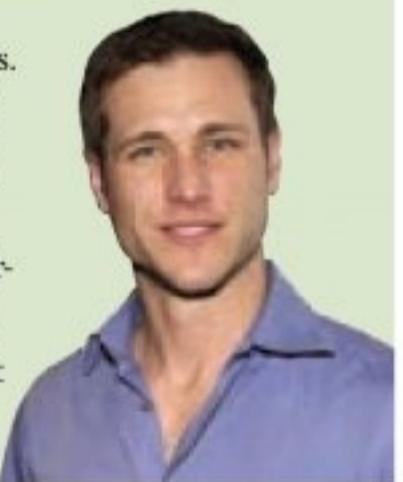
"She is running around talking and having a ball," he



offers. And her favorite word? Dada. "She sees me all over the place because right now the 'Deadpool' advertising is everywhere. So when we go to New York City it's on top of the cabs

and she's like, 'Dada, Dada, Dada, Dada.' I don't know how she — I mean, I'm in a mask, but yeah she knows that's me." Maybe he's been wearing it around the house a lot?

Bachelor Jake responds to latest contestant death



With the news this week that a second contestant from Season 14 of "The Bachelor," Lex McAllister, had died from an apparent suicide, it was only a matter of time before that season's Bachelor, Jake Pavelka, broke his silence on the matter. "I'm so sad to hear about Alexa. Such

a beautiful girl," he tweets. "My heart breaks for her family. Covering them in prayer during this rough time." McAllister was rushed to the hospital in Columbus, Ohio, on Saturday after ingesting "a lot" of pills and died Tuesday. In 2013, fellow contestant Gia Allemand died after hanging herself.

James Gunn fears a 'Deadpool' effect

James Gunn, director of "Guardians of the Galaxy," is thrilled that the R-rated comic book movie "Deadpool" did so well at the box office, but he's just worried Hollywood will learn the wrong

lessons from its success. "After every movie smashes records people here in Hollywood love to throw out the definitive reasons why the movie was a hit," Gunn writes on Facebook. "It's origi-



nal, it's damn good, it was made with love by the filmmakers and it wasn't afraid to take risks."



Brandy

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Kelly Clarkson

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Canadian retailer Aritzia broke U.S. ground back in 2007, and now counts 17 locations (including this new one) throughout the states as of 2016. Boston will get its first on Feb. 18, with 6,000 square feet of retail space with raked stucco walls and marble floors in the renovated Boylston Street wing of the Prudential Center. The



Clean, minimalist design drives Aritzia's wardrobe strategy.

retailer joins the recently re-opened mega-high-tech Sephora and Mario Batali's 40,000-square-foot Eataly food emporium, set to open this fall.

"We have been looking at opening in Boston for quite a few years, but the right space wasn't available," says Aritzia CMO Oliver Walsh. "When the renovated space within the Shops at Prudential Center became available, we were thrilled. It's located in what we believe to be the best run of real estate within Boston."



Not Boston's Aritzia — but close. PROVIDED

It's hard to pinpoint the America equivalent to the Canadian womenswear retailer, but a crass conceptual comparison to fellow international mega import, Zara, might come to mind — though they shudder at the term, "fast fashion" — but aesthetically it's more similar to Newbury Street newcomer/H&M upscale, minimalistic offspring, COS. The clothes are trend-driven with an emphasis on basics and staples in Merino wool or

their own blend of silky jersey knit called Reposa. Color options are neutral and the like, and patterns are sparse, appealing fans of Marie Kondo and the Kardashians alike.

Each store carries a range of in-house brands — like the office-friendly Babaton, barre class-friendly Parklife or slick cool girl basics from Tula — as well as pieces from labels you already like (think J Brand and Mackage). Price point ranges, but settles some-

where in the middle of the contemporary market — a faux suede pencil skirt setting you back \$95; a luxe chunky knit cardigan, \$225.

Walsh says the company is seeing Boston as an "essential market" in their U.S. growth and plan to target their "existing loyal following," as well as the bounty of college and young pros who call the Hub home.

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Lake Street Dive's latest studio release "Side Pony" is due out Friday before they hit the road for a world tour. The Brighton-bred four-piece band has been together for more than a decade, so we asked guitarist/trumpeter Mike "McDuck" Olson about how they've managed to keep it up.

We'd like to still think of you as a Boston band, but that's not the case

anymore, is it?

The girls [Rachael Price and Bridget Kearney] live in Brooklyn, and then Mike [Calabrese] lives in Dudley [Square] and I'm the Jamaica Plain guy. We've found ourselves based in all different places over the years, but home base in some way has always been Boston.

What do you think being apart does for the band?

We end up using our time on the road more wisely. We divide our time between going to the places that we as individuals want to go to and then, as a band, working while on the road. When we're

home, that's our weekend, but when we're on the road, we're rehearsing on the bus and in the venue every day.

Do you get much done while you're on the go?

I know I just said we're very productive while on the road, but writing isn't something we do often. You need a creative space that shuts off the world.

Any good luck charms you keep on the bus?

The AeroPress. That's a crucial Lake Street Dive talisman. I think those good vibes might not be so good if we didn't have it with us. We're all very addicted to coffee.

When did you as a band know you were onto something special?

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Where: Beaver Creek, Colorado
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Where: Stowe, Vermont
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Where: Keystone, Colorado
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Loui Eriksson has 20 goals and 25 assists so far this season. GETTY IMAGES

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Eriksson's future with B's uncertain

Loui Eriksson is having a strong season with the Bruins, but he could very well be dealt at the deadline.

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With the 2016 NHL trade deadline rapidly approaching (Feb. 29), there is one player currently on the Bruins who will serve as the barometer for what Boston (31-20-6) becomes this spring: veteran right wing Loui Eriksson (20 goals, 25 assists, plus-11).

By now, hockey fans around New England can basically recite his upcoming contract status (he will be an unrestricted free agent this summer) but also endlessly debate if the 30-year-old is worth the big deal that he is almost sure to be offered by some desperate team. With so much uncertainty about his near future, one thing is for sure about the soft-spoken Swede: He's having a really good season in a contract year (surprise, surprise).

Eriksson scored the overtime goal in

Tuesday's 2-1 victory at Columbus, his fourth game-winner of the 2015-16 campaign (tying him with Patrice Bergeron, one behind Brad Marchand's team-leading five). Always underrated since he doesn't have any eye-popping skills, this is the sixth time in his career that he's scored 20-plus goals — nothing to sniff at in today's low-scoring NHL. In his 10th season, he has developed a new part to his impressive all-around game (power-play goals) and he is second on the team with eight (one behind Bergeron). His durability the last few years has gone unnoticed too, but he played 81 games in 2014-15

and right now he's one of only two Bruins (Ryan Spooner being the other) who have so far played in every contest.

"I'm finding ways to score goals, and it's always nice to have that feeling," noted Eriksson. "I just need to keep building on that. I'm trying to play a little bit more in front of the net again and it seems like the puck is finding me so I'll have to keep doing that."

He has goals in four straight games and five goals in his last six

overall.

Logically, the B's have three choices as far as what they can do with Eriksson:

1 Trade him in the next few weeks in order to bolster a weak defensive corps and/or strengthen their farm system with more young players (prospects and draft picks).

2 Keep him and see if the club can go on a run in the post-season. It isn't that far-fetched when you consider that the Bruins are currently fourth in the Eastern Conference and that the Capitals appear to be the only dominant team.

3 Sign him to the long-term deal that the front office has reportedly already talked about (somewhere in the range of 3-4 years worth \$5-6 million per year). Keep in mind that his fellow countryman Carl Soderberg received a laughable five-year deal worth \$4.75 million per year from Colorado last summer. Who in the world (besides the Avalanche) thinks that Soderberg is better than Eriksson at anything when it comes to hockey?

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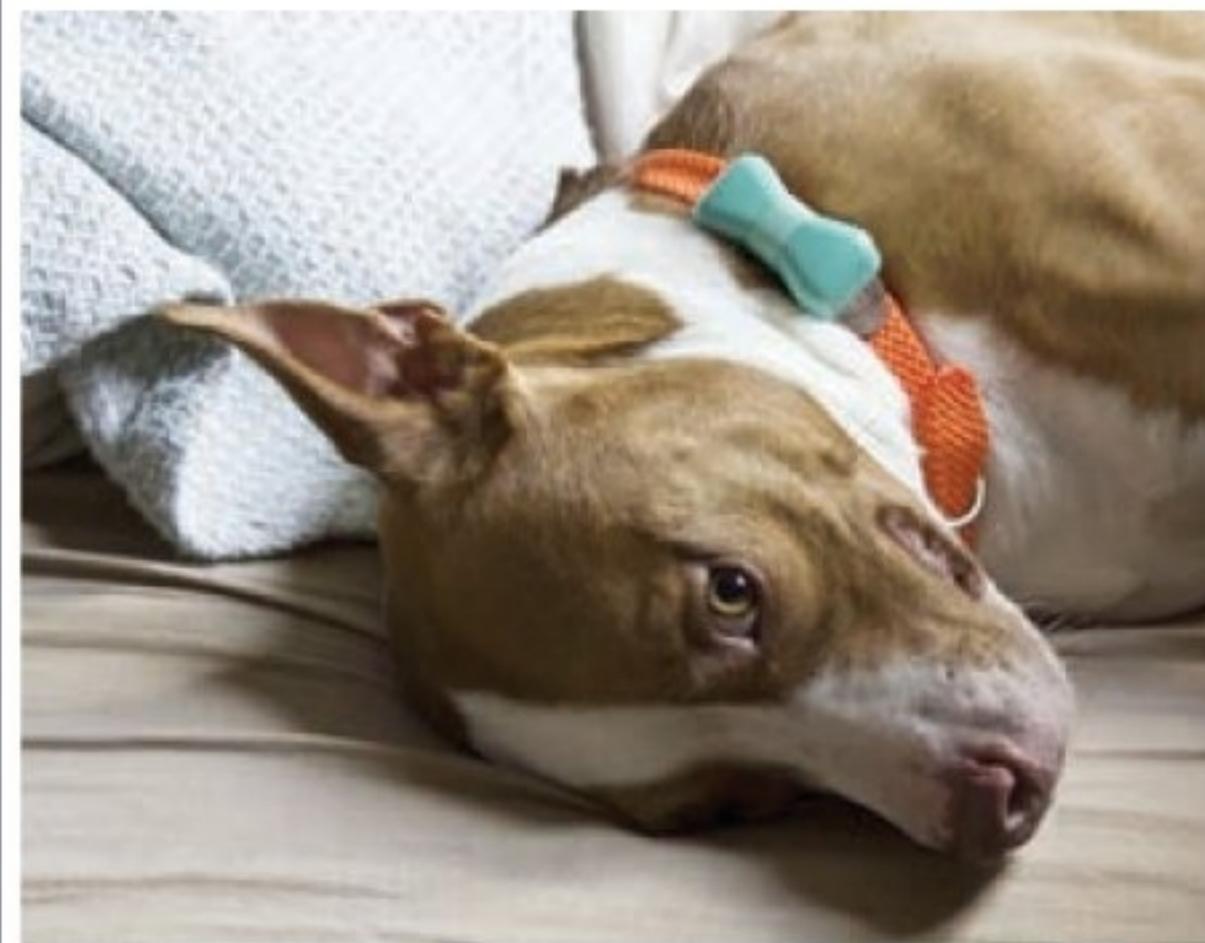
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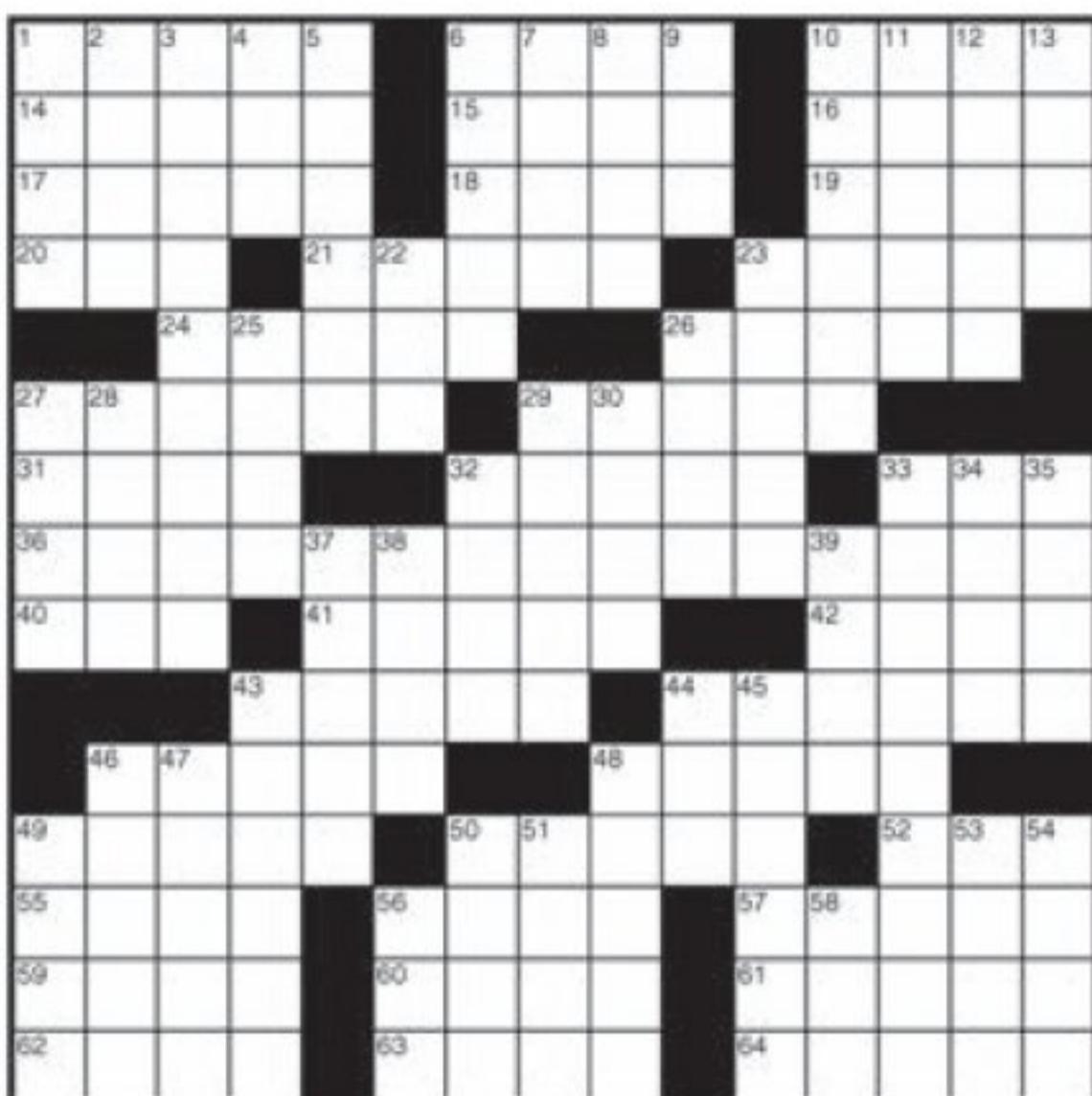
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Aries Do what needs to be done without wasting your time trying to get others to take action. You will be far more effective if you work alone. Romance looks promising.



Taurus You'll have to put more energy behind your plans if you want to see them come to fruition. Use emotional tactics to motivate others to pitch in and help.



Gemini Be honest about what you can accomplish. If you don't set unrealistic goals, others will see your vision and help you reach it. Love is in the stars.



Cancer Mull over your experiences and make a mental note of what not to do in the future. You can spare yourself grief if you eliminate problems before they escalate.



Leo Gather information, travel or have a conversation that will help you get a better handle on your current status. Think carefully about how to move forward.



Virgo If you express your feelings, you will find out exactly where you stand. Once you have your position quantified, you will know how to speed things up.

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Libra Get out with friends. Flirting and being playful with someone special will improve your relationship and help you come one step closer to positive changes.



Scorpio Participate. Don't be afraid to do things on your own, rather than waste time arguing with someone who doesn't want to contribute to your plans.



Sagittarius Connect with people who want to collaborate and share in your pursuits. New friendships will help you build a brighter future.



Capricorn You'll be reminded of someone or something from your past that can help you handle a challenge you face at home. Making an effort to be entertaining will be rewarded.



Aquarius Simplicity, precision and experimentation will help you achieve balance and success. Your enthusiasm will be infectious and will promote positive change.



Pisces Don't share your secrets. Focus on personal improvements and modify an old method of doing things with a trendy new twist. **EUGENIA LAST**



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